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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF BOTTLE GRADE POLYETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE ("PET") RESIN FROM INDIA (C-533-842) AND THAILAND (C-549-824).

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- 1. ON 04/20/2004, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF BOTTLE-GRADE PET RESIN FROM INDIA AND THAILAND (69 FR 21086).
- 2. THE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS BOTTLE-GRADE POLYETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE (PET) RESIN, DEFINED AS HAVING AN INTRINSIC VISCOSITY OF AT LEAST 0.68 DECILITERS PER GRAM BUT

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NOT MORE THAN 0.86 DECILITERS PER GRAM. THE SCOPE INCLUDES BOTTLE-GRADE PET RESIN THAT CONTAINS VARIOUS ADDITIVES INTRODUCED IN THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS. THE SCOPE DOES NOT INCLUDE POST-CONSUMER RECYCLE (PCR) OR POST-INDUSTRIAL RECYCLE (PIR) PET RESIN; HOWEVER, INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE IS ANY BOTTLE-GRADE PET RESIN BLEND OF VIRGIN PET BOTTLE-GRADE RESIN AND RECYCLED PET (RPET). WASTE AND SCRAP PET IS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION. FIBER-GRADE PET RESIN, WHICH HAS AN INTRINSIC VISCOSITY OF LESS THAN 0.68 DECILITERS PER GRAM, IS ALSO OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS. THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS PROPERLY CLASSIFIED UNDER SUBHEADING 3907.60,0010 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS); HOWEVER, MERCHANDISE CLASSIFIED UNDER HTSUS SUBHEADING 3907.60.0050 THAT OTHERWISE MEETS THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE IS ALSO SUBJECT TO THESE INVESTIGATIONS. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND

CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE UNDER INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

- 3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THESE COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION NUMBERS: C-533-842 (INDIA) AND C-549-824 (THAILAND).
- 4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS BORDER PROTECTION OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC, OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI AT OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 (GENERATED BY GRP3OF7: DK).
- 5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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*Party Indicator Value:

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